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6 March 2023



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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 9 Options

The curriculum students' study in Key Stage 4 is of utmost importance. We have developed an Ebacc driven curriculum which ensures that our students will not be held back by the subjects they study at GCSE. This ties into the Department of Education directive that schools are to have the Ebacc at the heart of their curriculum by 2025.

Research has proven that studying subjects included in the Ebacc provides students with greater opportunities in further education and increases the likelihood that a student will stay on in full time education. Studying the Ebacc can also improve a student's performance in English and Mathematics.

To achieve the Ebacc, students must study at least seven GCSEs in these five areas: English Language, English Literature, Mathematics, Combined Science or Triple Science, History or Geography and a Modern Foreign Language.

The study of a Modern Foreign Language is extremely beneficial because it will give our students a competitive edge. It will provide an insight into other cultures and can open the door to travel and employment opportunities. The study of a language also broadens students' horizons, helping them flourish in new environments.

Further information can be accessed via the link below:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/761031/DfE_EBacc_Leaflet.pdf

In the week commencing 6 March 2023, your child will receive an introductory assembly about the Year 10 Ebacc Pathway and receive presentations from each Head of Faculty to outline the course content and assessment methods for each subject. The Key Stage 4 booklet will be available on the academy website from 6 March 2023.

The week commencing 13 March 2023, students will be sent a link to an online form where they will make their choice between History or Geography and their choice of one additional subject. Students will be expected to indicate their first, second and third choice of additional subject and whilst we endeavour to provide students with their first choice, we cannot guarantee that this will always be possible.



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We require all students to complete the online form by Friday, 24 March 2023.

Please note that some subjects will not be able to run should the number of students who choose this be too low.

Confirmed subject choices will be communicated with parents and carers in May 2023.

Should you have any further queries in relation to the above, please email enquiries@wednesfield.uwmat.co.uk for the attention of Mrs Beazley.

Yours faithfully



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